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September 5, 1985

Mr. Dixon Shay
Tosco Development Corporation
1099 18th Street, Suite 2900
Denver, Colorado 80202

Dear Mr. Shay:

Re: Release of Tosco's Reclamation Bond, Tosco Development Corporation, Sand Wash Project, ACT/047/001, Uintah County, Utah

In response to Tosco's request for bond release the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGM) has recently visited the proposed minesite to ascertain if there was any disturbance. While onsite the Division found an unplugged core hole and some associated disturbance. A review of the exploration files shows three exploration holes still unplugged.

Currently the Division of State Lands and Forestry (DSL) holds Tosco's bond in the amount of \$120,423.00. DOGM will recommend that a portion of the bond be released and an amount of \$30,000.00 for well reclamation costs be retained until reclamation is complete. Tosco must submit a detailed plugging and reclamation plan along with a time table for completing each step of the reclamation process.

The exploration holes and sites should be reclaimed in accordance with rules M-3(5) and M-10 of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act, Title 40-8, Utah Code Annotated 1953 (copy enclosed). If alternative uses are planned for the exploration holes all permits must be obtained by Tosco and submitted to DOGM along with the new plans.

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If you have any questions please contact me or David Darby
anytime.

Sincerely,



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